Mobile County Commission Notice of Comment Period and Public Hearing

The purpose of this notice is to provide a 30 day period for citizens' comments regarding the proposed amendment to the Mobile County Consortium FY2011 Action Plan which sets forth the activities to be undertaken with funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Mobile County Commission will also hold a public hearing to take citizens' comments prior to final adoption of the proposed amendment at the regular County Commission meeting to be held at 10:00 a.m. on August 8, 2011, in the auditorium, located on the ground floor of the Mobile Government Plaza, at 205 Government Street in Mobile, Alabama.

As lead agency for the Mobile County Consortium, the Mobile County Commission prepares an Action Plan which sets the activities to be undertaken with funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). At the time the FY2011 Action Plan was prepared and printed (March 11, 2011) to start the 30-day public comment period, HUD had not announced the FY2011 amount allocated to the Consortium. Therefore, for budget purposes, the County prepared the FY2011 Action Plan based on 2010 allocation. After the comment period, HUD announced the FY2011 allocations. The allocation announced for CDBG was \$322,613 less than anticipated and \$98,815 less than anticipated for HOME funds.

CDBG: In addition to the allocation of \$1,791,526, the proposed amendment includes reallocation of \$251,334 from overages from previous years' activities. The proposed activities with these funds are:

Road Resurfacing – City of Prichard	\$	350,000
Water and Sewer Improvements – City of Satsuma	\$	200,000
Roof Community Center – City of Bayou La Batre	\$	400,000
Bridges, Road Resurfacing, Paving, – unincorporated	\$	211,284
Semmes Senior Center	\$	200,000
Public School Improvements	\$	58,000
Road Resurfacing – City of Chickasaw	\$	80,000
Rehabilitation of Water Storage Tank – Town of Mount Vernon	\$	61,557
Homebuyer Counseling	\$	30,381
Child Abuse Victim Assistance	\$	33,333
Legal Services Assistance	\$	50,000
Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy	\$	10,000
Planning and Administration	\$	358,305
Total CDBG Activities	\$2	2,042,860

HOME: In addition to the allocation of \$819,763, the proposed amendment includes \$1,100,000 in anticipated Program Income. The proposed activities with these funds are:

Construction of affordable rental units	\$1,000,000
Construction of affordable homes	\$ 727,787
Program Administration – Entitlement Funds	\$ 81, 976
Program Administration – Program Income	<u>\$ 110,000</u>
Total HOME Activities	\$1,919,763

A complete and detailed copy of the proposed amendments will remain on file at the offices of the Mobile County Commission and will be available for public examination and copying upon request at the Mobile County Government Plaza, 205 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. The proposed amendment is also available on the County web page, mobilecountyal.gov under Grants Department. Public comment will be accepted beginning July 8, 2011 until 10 a.m. August 8, 2011, excluding holidays. Written comments are to be sent to Mr. John Pafenbach, County Administrator, Mobile County Commission, 205 Government Street, Mobile, AL 36644. The public hearing will be accessible to all. If you have a disability which may require special materials or assistance, please notify Cathy Burden at (251) 574-8099 at least 48 working hours prior to the hearing.

Spanish translation and/or clarification will be provided upon request, please call Cathy Burden at (251) 574-8099. La traducción y/o la clarificación española serán dados si hay solicitad, Llame por favor Cathy Burden (251) 574-8099.

Merceria Ludgood, President Mobile County Commission

Instructions to Webmaster:

Please publish under Grants Department, HUD Entitlement on July 8, 2011